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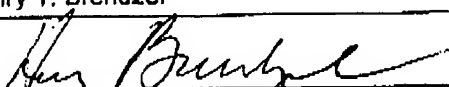
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL - REMARKS

A telephone conversation was held with the Examiner on January 28, 2009. Though the Examiner was courteous, it was not fruitful. The undersigned extended an offer to narrow an independent claim by adding a word and to, thereby, place the case more clearly in condition for allowance. The Examiner declined. This is too bad because declining to entertain a discussion about a change that would place the case in condition for allowance misses a opportunity to advance prosecution with minimum expenditure of time and effort on both sides.

Claims 1-15 were rejected under 35 USC 102 as being anticipated by Sattar et al, US Patent 5,572,581. Applicants respectfully traverse.

This rejection was addressed by applicants in the previous Office Action, and the Examiner kindly addressed it in the "Response to Arguments" segment of the Office Action.

Applicant's position is that the phrase "which message specifies a communication protocol parameter" in clause (a) of claim 1 means that the message specifies a parameter that pertains to a communication protocol, which means that the parameter specifies the communication protocol.

The Examiner's position is that